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Subject: Re: Request for Assistance
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Thank you. We will take a look.

Sean

Sent from my iPhone

On May 27, 2019, at 10:28 AM, Scott, William (POL) <william.scott@sfgov.org> wrote:

Dear Mr. McCluskie,

I understand that San Francisco Mayor London Breed and California Attorney General Xavier Becerra have spoken about a request for assistance from the San Francisco Police Department for an independent investigation by the California Department of Justice on the theft and eventual unauthorized release of an SFPD incident report.

The following is a summary of the request: In February, 2019, the San Francisco Police Department began a criminal investigation into the theft and unauthorized release of the incident report involving the death of San Francisco Public Defender Jeff Adachi. During the course of the investigation several search warrants were served, including warrants on the cellular phone, residence, and a secondary location possessed by Mr. Carmody. After reviewing the investigation, it was discovered that the California shield protection law may have been violated in serving search warrants associated with Mr. Carmody due to his status as a news reporter.

Because of the potential violation of the California shield protection laws the SFPD has suspended its investigation of the originating theft and unauthorized public release of the incident report.

Due to the intense public attention of this matter, we believe it is in the public's interest to have an independent agency start anew and investigate the theft of the Adachi police report. Therefore, we are requesting the California Department of Justice investigate the theft and unauthorized release of the report. Furthermore, we are requesting a separate investigation from the California Department of Justice of a potential violation of the California shield protection act.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this request please contact

me at (415) 837-7003 or Assistant Chief Robert Moser at (415) 837-7001.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM SCOTT,
Chief of Police
San Francisco Police Department

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